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ASSAC election candidates prepare for upcoming votes

The upcoming ASSAC elections, a "successful" blood drive and talent negotiations for the May 17th concert date vacated by Van Morrison have comprised a sizeable portion of the Senate schedule during the past two weeks.

As the deadline passed for submitting candidates' petitions, 15 persons had declared their intentions to seek elective office in this month's election.

It will be a three-way bid for the Presidential post, with Senator Brien Dodd, Treasurer Lanny Busher and political newcomer Herman Perez all hoping to fill the seat currently occupied by two-term President Jim Wiencek.

Candidates Dodd and Busher have teamed up with Vice Presidential hopefuls Doug Edwards and Hal Lentz respectively, both of whom have served on the Senate. Perez is seeking election without the aid of a running mate.

The nine Senate candidates who filed petitions are: Nancy Balser, Brien Dodd, Doug Edwards, Karen Furnell, Patricia Hanna, Linda Mendoza, Robert Trujillo, Michael Wilson and Deborah Witting.

Senate President Pro Tem Gilmar Torrealba is seeking election to the SAC Board of Communications.

MULDAUR AND MORE

Senator Mike Gray says he is "working closely with the producer," Harvey Kresky, on future concerts for Cook Gym.

Gray said Monday it is virtually certain that rock/blues singer Maria Muldaur will appear here May 17th as the second concert in the series which begins tomorrow night with Dave Mason.

Virtually at the last minute, the popular Orange County band "Honk" was added to the Mason billing, possibly an indicator that advance-sale tickets weren't moving as well as anticipated.

Gray told the Senate two weeks ago that he is looking forward to future concerts with such entertainers as Roberta Flack, Jesse Colin Young and Jose Feliciano. A rescheduled appearance by Van Morrison is also anticipated.

Cinco de Mayo celebration to feature varied events

by Karen Govoni

Cinco de Mayo, the fifth of May, marks the anniversary of the independence of the Mexican people. SAC, together with MECHA and the Chicano/Studies Program, will be presenting special programs commemorating the event during the week of May 5-9.

"Chicano-- Ahead Through Education" will be the theme of this year's celebration. Shirley Palacio, president of the MECHA club, said they hope the speakers and activities will make Chicanos aware of the fact that by getting a better education they can succeed.

"Not all of our people have gone to the top," she explained. "But as one section of the mural (in the library) shows, we have gone pretty far."

Several local schools will be participating in the festivities. According to Palacio, it will benefit the children. "They are learning about their heritage from actual experience. This is good, because they are a generation that will preserve it."

Activities for the week include several speakers. Tuesday, Mike Silva, a lawyer, will speak on "How Law is Accessible to the Chicanos." Wednesday, Santa Ana High School Dancers and El Teatro de Centro, Placentia, will be presenting programs in the Amphitheater. Thursday Mariachi Los Aguilillas and Relampgo y Cielo Folklorico de Santa Ana will perform.

There will be two hours of concluding presentations on Friday. The 56th State District Assemblyman, Art Torres, will be the guest speaker. MECHA's president feels that Torres will be an excellent speaker concerning the values of education. "It will be better if it is coming from someone who has gone through the process," she said. "He has worked hard to get where he is."

Last year, the theme for the celebration was "Chicano Consciousness." As part of the activities, a large mural was constructed by MECHA club. It is a pictorial history of the Mexican people. Because of the favorable response the mural drew from students and community members alike, it is now on display in the Neally Library.

Cinco de Mayo marks the anniversary of the nineteenth century battle of Guadalupe, near Puebla in Mexico.

On May 5, 1862, the French army advanced upon the city of Guadalupe, confident that they would easily master the city. In Puebla was a Mexican army commanded by Ignacio Zaragoza and an army of ex-guerillas led by inexperienced generals.

In the battle that followed, the French army, with the loss of more than a thousand men, was overcome and fled to the coast.

The great importance of Cinco de Mayo does not lie within the battle itself, but rather in the effect of it upon the people of Mexico. It is a memory of a battle whose outcome meant the destiny of the whole country.



SAC RACES -- Winning the Indianapolis 500-mile race on Memorial Day is the goal for this Gurney-Eagle car, the "Spirit of Orange County." SAC has become one of the official sponsors of the car, and driver Jerry Grant was on campus to place the college decal on the side of the machine. When the "gentlemen start their engines," SAC will be represented in the field before a nation-wide audience.

Indy race car opens drive for sponsorship

by Lisa Steckley

When the flag drops to start the Indianapolis 500 late this month, one of the automobiles running will be sponsored by SAC.

The "Spirit of Orange County" counts as one of its official sponsors Santa Ana College. The non-profit organization that will operate the car will turn over whatever profit it gains this year to Orange County schools to be used in special education programs.

According to Dave Whitcomb, automotive technology instructor, the program has the backing of the Orange County Board of Supervisors and Board of Education.

The car was on campus last week to kick off the membership drive for the "Spirit of Orange County" racing team. Jerry Grant, the driver of the race car, was also on hand for the public introduction.

Although the school is a designated sponsor, the district has not put up any money.

Individual students can join the "Spirit's" racing team for a $5 fee. The fee goes towards the expected annual operating cost of $175,000. Membership applications are available in the Student Activities Office and Automotive Lab.

"This is a first in the world of racing," said Whitcomb. "It's the first time a community and college can be part of a racing team."

According to Whitcomb, SAC's involvement with the car came after the Automotive Department was described in the newspaper, **Motor Sports Weekly**. Don Lacone, part owner of the car and also affiliated with the paper, became interested in SAC as a sponsor.

The "Spirit" is one of the two original Gurney-Eagle cars and has recently been refurbished with a turbo-charged Offenhauser engine. The fleet automobile is scheduled to run in the next Indianapolis race with Grant -- the first driver to set the 200 m.p.h. record at Ontario -- behind the wheel.

Whitcomb was optimistic about the "Spirit's" chances at the Indy 500: "It is the best prepared car. With the new engine in it now, it is every bit as competitive as any other car." He added, "Jerry Grant drives a car hard. If the car stays together, he can win."

Parking problems

Lot paving project near

SAC administrators are planning to convert a portion of the campus to a parking lot and hoping to acquire new land for the same purpose.

Ernest R. Norton, SAC vice president of Fiscal Affairs and Assistant Superintendent, said, "We are hoping by the end of summer or before to blacktop the area between the baseball field and the football field."

This would add over 100 parking spaces according to Norton.

He located the property being considered for parking acquisitions as "all land south of the college between Pacific and College (Streets) to Washington."

The first draft of an Environmental Impact Report evaluating the proposed parking area was accepted recently by the Board of Trustees and filed with state agencies.

The report noted that "the proposed acquisition and development will add 766 on-campus parking spaces, but will not fulfill the college's projected ultimate parking needs."

Funding is a problem according to Norton who says that fees from parking stickers and fines from violations are going "primarily toward the purchase of land for parking."

Norton says the fees that are collected in these areas are going in part to the salaries of security personnel who patrol the parking lot. No exact figures were given.

The SAC administrator denied the existence of a violations-quota system. "Tickets are to be given," he said, "only in a situation where there's a violation."



SACVA B-B-Q meeting

CHOW LINE -- Members of the SAC Veterans Club partake of barbequed food during their recent picnic at Memorial Park in Santa Ana. The active membership in the club has increased sharply as a result of reorganization. New programs are being devised by president Dave Herrick and vice-president Bruce Baer. A viable loan fund is available to campus vets who need short- term loans up to $50. In addition a scholarship will be open soon; a vets' hotline will connect various Orange County colleges; a Vets Day at SAC will be sponsored; a spaghetti feed is upcoming; housing and job referrals and a book exchange will be established. These are just some of the plans to be discussed at the next Veterans Club meeting.

Strained co-op program folds with SAC investment

The discount food co-op sanctioned by the ASB has folded due to lack of co-operation from the economy and customers.

International Buying Service, a Tustin-based subsidiary of Vortex Industries, announced last week that they were selling-out to a major food distributor. The financially ailing company closed the retail membership operation that had over 3,700 customers.

An undetermined number of SAC students are involved in the food co-op as a result of the membership offered through the purchase of a student body card. The program was initiated by Don McCain, student activities director, last semester. According to McCain, "It is impossible to estimate the number of students that enrolled. It was a great program until they shut the doors. I didn't have any complaints at all until last week when people began to call me about recovering their investment."

President of the company, Albert Jackson, said, "We are a victim of the economy. The legal maneuver of filing for reorganization is a means of keeping creditors off our backs. The tight money market led to IBS's woes."

The food buying service listed about 800 items of major brand-name foods in its catalogue, primarily canned goods and other non-perishable items and frozen meats. The firm advertised to "save 30 per cent" on grocery bills by purchasing bulk quantities of staple foods.

The company began operating in Orange County in 1973, and now has warehouses in Santa Ana, Placentia, Fountain Valley, Mission Viejo, San Fernando Valley and Oxnard. The phones in the warehouses and the main office were temporarily disconnected last week, and a number of callers had difficulty getting information on the status of their investment.

McCain advised any student with money invested in the firm should contact him at the Student Activities Office, extension 395, to fill out claim forms that the company issued. These persons will be reimbursed.

"We don't feel anyone is going to get burnt," said Jackson. "The accountants tell me there is enough inventory to handle all outstanding claims."

The normal fee charged by the firm to join the co-op was $52. But that requirement was waived for SAC students that bought an ASB card. Students had to only pay one dollar for membership. This was offered as part of a package of incentives to purchase the card during the fall and spring semester. An estimated 3,200 SAC students have an ASB card.

McCain stated that he contacted the Better Business Bureau of Orange County and the Tustin Police Department to determine if there had been any mis-representation in the company. But according to Sgt. Walt Wedemyer of TPD, "I didn't find anything criminal" after taking several customer complaints to the district attorney's office.

Citizens crime abatement plan receives city accord

by John Lee

Unanimous approval met a motion to formulate the implementation of a $1.8 million team policing and crime abatement program at the April 14 meeting of the Santa Ana City Council.

The council action made specific recommendations for immediate and long-term funding of the crime abatement program which includes a substantial increase in police personnel. The following week, on April 21, the police personnel expansion began when the council approved a transfer of existing funds from other department budgets to the crime abatement program.

In a telephone interview, newly elected councilman and former SAC student David Brandt said of the program, "I supported it all the way, from the time the campaign started to our first meeting of the new council (April 14)."

"We're forced into taking some large moves pretty quickly," he continued, "or keep on going downhill." Later he quoted the figure that one of every thirteen homes in the city has been burglarized, adding, "They got me the first of last month."

Brandt called the Police Department personnel expansion "playing catch-up ball" adding, "We're so far behind -- manpower-wise -- with a figure of 1.34 officers per thousand population compared with the national average of 1.84. The intent is to (eventually) go over this figure and make some real progress."

The City Manager, Police and Finance Departments are currently working out details of the program along the council's guidelines. Their reports and recommendations will subsequently be submitted for final council approval.

The crime abatement program follows the outline provided in the Santa Ana Citizens Crime Commission report issued last February.

Foremost among the Commission's recommendations is the team policing concept calling for additional police personnel, restructuring of patrol areas and establishment of closer community ties.

The newly elected councilman said that this approach constitutes the application of the existing funds to immediately begin the addition of some of the 110 police personnel -- both sworn and unsworn; patrolmen and administrators -- called for in the program.

For the upcoming fiscal year, the council recommended that project funds come from a new utility users tax, a property tax increase and budget cuts in other departments.

Campus News Briefs

Photography class to start

"Darkroom Techniques in Improving Color Slides," a photography mini-course geared primarily to the older adult population, will be offered begining Friday, May 2.

The class, under the direction of the Rancho Santiago Community College District Continuing Education Division, is designed to enable students to significantly improve the quality of slides.

Instructor Lillian Garton said, "It is really an excellent class for older adults, many of whom have slides from their travels which could be made better with this technique. The process doesn't require an elaborate lab setup - it can be done in bowls on a table top - nor is it costly."

Classes will meet in the Spurgeon Room of the Santa Ana Library each Friday, for seven weeks from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The fee is $5, but will be waived for students over 60 years old. A $9 material's fee is the only other cost.

Workshops on children

The Children's Services Council is presenting "The Vulnerable Child", a workshop on the exceptional child - May 17 at SAC.

Workshops will deal with the needs, characteristics and strengths of the child and how he can be helped while he is still a child.

Participating in the program are groups such as the Child Guidance Clinic and the Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center.

Applications can be obtained in R-105. Registration closes May 7.

Enrollment figures released

Enrollment in the Rancho Santiago Community College District has risen to 24,197 students, according to Harold Bateman, SAC dean of Admissions.

Some 15,697 are enrolled in college credit courses offered by SAC and 8,500 are enrolled in continuing adult education courses offered by the district.

Bateman pointed out statistics regarding the college enrollment -- 11,018 are part-time, 4,679 full-time -- that indicate people are attending fewer classes and doing other things.

Student wins B of A award

SAC sophomore, Curtis Clark, won $250 in the Bank of America Community College Awards finals held April 25 in the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel. He placed fourth in the Business category among 40 Southern California semi-finalists competing for $21,000 in prize-money.

High Sierra adventure offered

There will be a special ecology course offered at SAC this summer. Students will have an opportunity to spend a week studying mountain ecology in the Sierra Nevadas.

Skills such as backpacking, map reading and route selection will be taught, as well as the plant and animal life of the Sierras.

Vietnam policy to be examined

"Vietnam -- Future of U.S. Foreign Policy" will be discussed by a panel of faculty members at noon on Wednesday, May 7, in the Faculty Lounge. Instructors participating are Dr. Fred Mabbutt, John Schmitz, Ayaz Yusuf, David Hartman and Larry West.

Missing person info needed

A $100 reward is being offered for information on the whereabouts of Mike Uribe who has been missing since April 26. He is a Chicano, 22 years old, 5' 8" tall, brown eyes, long brown hair, mustache. If you have any information, contact Shane Delaney at Orange Coast College, phone 556-5644 or 645-6256.

SAC to be site of test

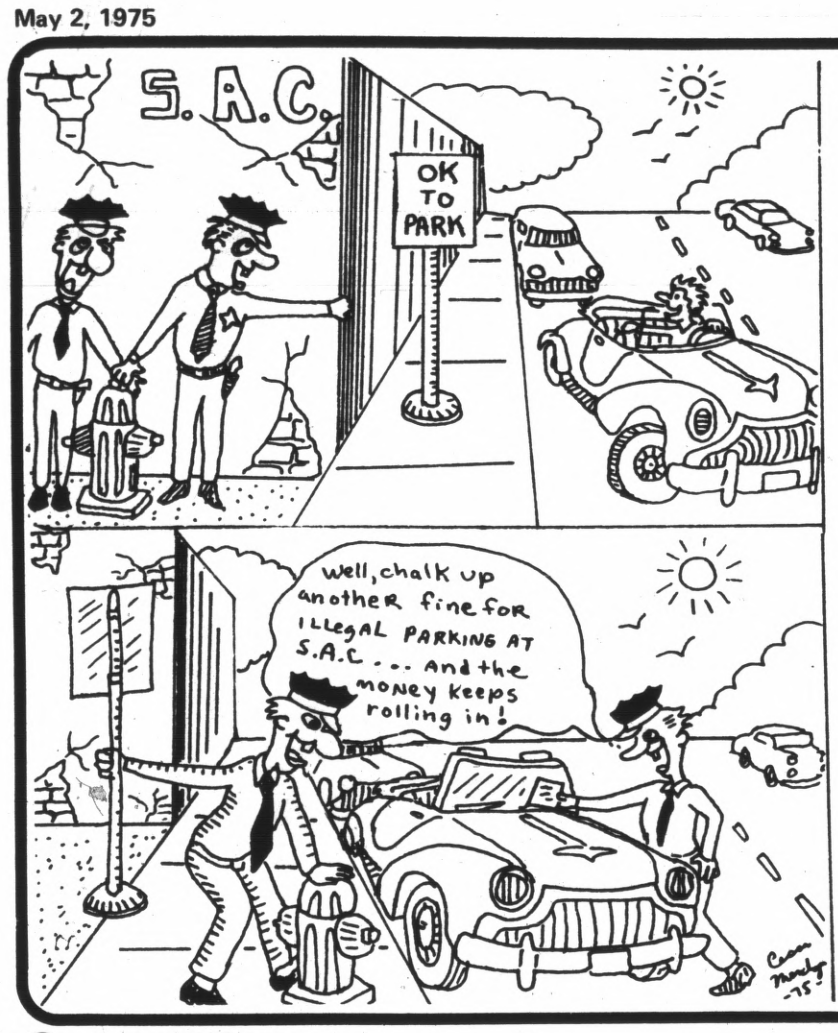
SAC will be one of the more than 175 test centers for the 1975 Certified Professional Secretary examination to be administered Friday and Saturday, May 2 and 3.

The examination is open to all secretaries who meet the specific educational requirements in combination with the specified years of verified secretarial experience.

Blood drive reaches goals

The recent blood drive held at SAC was quite successful, according to the Activities Office. Of the 105 people who turned out to donate blood, only 15 were turned away.

A goal of gathering 90 units of blood was reached by the end of the day.



Editorial

Parking fine rip-off

The inadequate parking facilities at SAC continue to plague the student body and administration alike.

Students, faculty, local dwellers, administrators and police all agree that something must be done. Reportedly, efforts are being made.

Parking lot expansion plans, according to administration officials, include paving the area between the baseball and football fields and purchasing about a block of property south of SAC for conversion to parking space.

Obstructing these measures is a lack of adequate financing. State and city funds have not been made available.

Apparently the major -- if not only -- source of revenue being applied to the problem is the intake of fees for parking permits and fines for violations.

Recent reports of inconsistencies in these areas cast some doubts as to the wisdom of this approach and as to the fairness with which it is being carried out.

Allegations have come to the attention of the **el DON** *that there have been instances of students being cited for parking in "no-parking" areas which are not marked as such.*

Parking fines are doubled if they are not payed within 10 days -- seemingly a very short period.

These incidents have the appearance of over-zealousness on the part of those individuals and organizations concerned with issuing citations, gathering revenues and spending those revenues.

Where is there any semblance of fairness in selling parking permit stickers which are too often useless? Or in issuing citations for offenses committed unknowingly, such as parking in a non-posted "restricted" area.

el DON *urges that non-parking areas be carefully and obviously marked, and that unfair citations of this nature be resisted by "violators" and abolished by administrators.*

Commentary

All in search of a 'New Yorker'

by Randy Lewis

Last week, in order to research an assignment, I found it necessary to acquire the latest issue of the **New Yorker** magazine. I made a quick hope over to our own Nealley Library, then a subsequent trip to the Orange Public Library and at both I was informed that the most recent issue of a periodical could not be checked out.

Rather than spend the 70 or 80 cents to make Xerox copies of the article I was after, for it was quite long, I decided to go to my nearest magazine rack and purchase it. I might save 10 cents and after all, a dime's a dime, right?

My first impulse was to look at my neighborhood supermarket. I didn't see it so I asked a clerk, "Do you have the **New Yorker** magazine?" "Here?" he replied in amazement, "Are you kidding?"

Not such an outlandish question, I thought. I soon found out why my request was so unusual. I visited every nearby grocery, liquor and drug store. None carried it. I began to wonder. Isn't this America? The land of enlightenment?

Many of the markets had a large number of periodicals, but for every **Time** or **Newsweek** in stock, there must have been 20 **Movie Worlds** or **True Confessions**. I was appalled.

It suddenly occurred to me why no one cares what aerosols are doing to the ozone, or whether we are on the verge of World War III. They're all too worried about who Cher's new boyfriend is.

Rack upon rack, row after row, the story was the same: **Movie Stars**, Rona Barrett's **Hollywood, Modern Romance, Inside Detective, Playboy, Playgirl, Oui, Penthouse, Hot Rod, Motorcycle World**. Land of enlightenment indeed!

Weary and defeated, I checked one last store, since I was already in its parking lot. As I plodded through the turnstile, the magazine stand caught my attention. This one seemed to have a wider selection than others I had seen.

Wait! What was that? Right there . . . hidden behind **Modern Bride**! THAT'S IT! THE **NEW YORKER**!! I suddenly knew what Columbus must have felt when he finally spotted the New World.

Uh-oh. It's next week's issue. I need this week's. Well, at least I know somebody carries it. I think this is what they call a moral victory.

I guess I can always go back to the library and . . . hmmm . . . the new **Mad** . . . let's see . . . page 39 . . . a satire of Barnaby Jones . . .



Remarks

Sun-scattered spring thoughts

by Mark Voge

Since spring has arrived (finally), it has been very difficult to keep my mind on any one thing. The sun and clear skies seem to disperse whatever concentration I can muster.

I offer this as an excuse for the lack of consistency in the following ruminations.

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I do not usually comment on what is happening on the international or national scene, because there are too many columnists who do already. But, I would like to add a word or two about our withdrawal from Vietnam.

Hearing the news of our departure from Indochina, I felt relieved. At last, the United States is unburdened of that debacle.

I hope now we will never again waste our time, wealth and youth in the futile attempt to save the world from itself.

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As I was crossing the mall a few days ago, a young woman walking towards me suddenly stopped. Startled, she blurted out, "You're the guy in the newspaper!" (As if pictures in newspapers were reserved for the dead.)

Like a seasoned celebrity, I calmly assured her that it was indeed me and that I was alive. I also let her know how pleased I was that she recognized me.

"You look so watchful in your picture," the girl remarked.

My ego grew larger and larger. I put her on the spot: "Do you read my column?"

Sensing that my head was growing heavy and in need of some lightening, the young woman denied the obvious and replied, "Sometimes."

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If you read **el DON** last week, you know that I'm not as watchful as I look.

Our last issue was dotted with spelling errors. I'm too embareassed to reveal how many.

Suffice it to say, we need a sharp-eyed proofreader. If you have keen eyesight and know how to spell, inquire in C-201.

We can not afford to pay you, but I think we can arrange for pizza and beer every Friday afternoon and a permanent shrine in your honor.

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

As regards your editorial of April 18, 1975 (Students Ignored by Principals in Gym 'Rock Talks'), come on, now, ed, we all know that the editorial page is set aside for expression of opinion on IMPORTANT issues.

I read your account of proceedings in booking of Pacific Presentation's rock concerts at SAC and your fears about the students getting short-ended left me at the peak of emotional disconcern. I fail to see the point of your pen, here.

Having worked for SAC for three years, I have seen plenty of concerts programmed by and for the students go wanting for an audience comprised of other than artists' relatives. "Bring the big ones; name entertainment is what we want." That has been the defense of no-show students. Now, an eager Student Activities Director and a progressive Community Services Director pool resources to pull off two of the biggest such presentations of the year anywhere in Orange County -- John Dean and Dave Mason. What is doubly significant is that they did it at absolutely no cost to either department.

Who the hell cares if the laggard ASB government can't keep pace with these two professionals when it comes to relevant programming and promotion. What difference does it make if a few senators don't get their name in lights for "co-sponsoring" a program that draws nearly 100 times as many students as they could get to vote in ASB elections.

It is nice that you should be the shepherd for your flock of cronies in ASB government, ed, but don't bother serious readers with tripe -- after all, isn't this the paper for people who don't have all day to read one?

David A. Rausch

Editor's note: David Rausch is Public Information Officer for SAC's Community Services.

Dear Editor:

This is in regard to your editorial of February 21, "Too many cars for our spaces . . "

Has the college given any consideration to the possibility of leasing the huge State Farm parking facility, which is so near the college?

There is a traffic light and crosswalk already there at the corner of 17th and College Avenue.

We see other vacated property on 17th Street, directly across from the college track.

State Farm Insurance Company moved to Costa Mesa, and it seems a shame to see all those parking spaces unused, when there is so much talk about the need for new parking lots.

A very concerned Martha
Lane neighbor

P.S. We are just **sick** at the thought of being forced out of our homes where we have lived for so many years -- to make room for ugly parking lots. Our homes are irreplaceable **to us.**

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ROCK OR GET ROLLED

Saturday's Mason-concert behavior will mark the beginning or the end

by John Lee

Last Friday, 86 people were arrested at a sell-out performance by Pink Floyd at the Los Angeles Sports Arena.

The arrests were made by some 30 police officers stationed inside the building. All of those arrested were booked on charges including possession of drugs, possession of alcohol by minors and ticket-scalping.

In the four sell-out performances by Pink Floyd at the Arena, a total of 475 arrests were made. Similar mass arrests have occured at the Shrine Auditorium.

The existence of this kind of enforcement brings to mind tomorrow's Dave Mason concert at Cook Gym and what policy SAC will pursue in this and future events of this kind, including a possible appearance at the gym by Jeff Beck and the Mahavishnu Orchestra.

The sum policy of both concert promoters and SAC administrators is very simple. Cigarette or pipe smokers would be well advised to bring some gum or Lifesavers to keep their nicotine fits at bay. Dope-smokers had best do their number before they arrive.

"There will be no smoking in the gym," said SAC President, John E. Johnson. "It's not a fireproof building."

What will happen if someone does? Johnson said, "They will be asked to leave."

SAC Director of Student Activities Donald McCain said the rules will be enforced by ushers with flashlights.

McCain came out strongly against smoking -- of any kind -- in the gym. "If someone insisted that they smoke," he said, "I must insist that they be removed."

According to concert promoter, Harvey Kresky, there will be no police inside the gym. He feels that they will not be needed and that any problems could be handled by civilian security people and ushers.

Kresky said that smokers would receive a warning -- that they would be asked to snuff their embers -- before it would become necessary to ask them to leave.

SAC Community Services Director Stewart Case commented on the possibility of people smoking pot outside the gym. "What they do in the parking lot is their business," he said, "but they take the chance of getting busted."

How big that risk would be was not commented on, but it seems likely that the Santa Ana Police will keep tabs on the area.

Getting busted is not the only risk involved. Tomorrow's Dave Mason concert is viewed by Case, McCain and Kresky as a pilot for possible future events.

Kresky has said that, if the politics of the concert appearances become too complex, he will drop the entire operation.

If there are serious problems of any kind tomorrow it is unlikely that either SAC administrators or concert promoters will chose to continue the presentations.

This means that SAC students would lose the opportunity to see acts like Dave Mason, Jeff Beck and Mahavishnu Orchestra at a favorable and nearby location.

SAC Theatre Arts Department Chairman Bob Blaustone voiced some concern along these lines. "I personally hope that we can continue with this," he said, "and it's up to the student body to behave in a manner which will allow us to."

Perhaps the best summary was provided by Kresky. "If everybody can just be cool," he said, "there shouldn't be any problem. That means if the administration, the police and the audience can just keep cool, I see no reason why we can't continue."

So be cool SAC. Smoke your reefers before you go and leave your Marlboros at home.





DEMURE AND DEFIANT -- Starring in SAC's coming production, The Twelfth Night, is Debbie Lee. In her first role as an actress Debbie will play the part of Viola, which requires the attributes of a man and a woman. The Twelfth Night is a frolicking satire of the eternal (love) triangle.

(Photos by Kevin Johnson)

Casting for Shakespeare

Where does one look to find a transvestite?

by Louie Euzarraga

William Shakespeare condoned transvestites. In fact he made extensive use of them. Portia in **Merchant of Venice**, Rosaline in **As You Like It** and Viola in **Twelfth Night** are among the most famous transvestites in his work.

The transvestite was an absolute necessity in Elizabethan Theatre. Women were barred from the stage; consequently boys assumed the female roles. To facilitate the boys performance, Shakespeare gave excuses for his female characters to don the garb of boys.

The staging problem now is that women acting in Shakespeare plays must become males. Now at the insistence of William Shakespeare, Debbie Lee, must become a young man. Unfortunately, the director is going to be hard pressed in hiding her endowments in the guise of a boy.

Debbie has been cast in the role of Viola in SAC's production of **Twelfth Night**. In the play, Viola, in order to better acquaint herself with Illyria, decides to become a eunuch and seek the services of the local duke. She not only has to change into a male costume but also assume posture and lower voice of a man--all the time hiding all her femininity in the outer shell of "masculine vigor."

Undertaking a role in a Shakespeare play is no easy task, especially if you also have to be a male. But Lee has been able to assume the challenge with ease and grace. She wasn't always so self-assured. She first attended auditions with dread. It had been a long time since she set foot on the stage. She was literally petrified during her first tryout.

Seeing herself cast in the play began to play on her mind. Lee would be satisfied in just obtaining a minor part. Even a non-speaking role would do. As the auditions continued she became insistent on doing anything. She doggedly pursued the bewildered Tom Brucks, all the time insisting that she could handle any job. She was even willing to try out for the male roles.

Director of the play, Tom Brucks, commented on Debbie and the cast, "This a close knit group of the most bizarre people I have ever worked with, and Debbie, with her youth and idealism, is happily wedded to the part."

Perhaps it was Lee's enthusiasm that got her the lead. These qualities in an actor or actress are seldom exhibited in College Theatre. This asset added to a great sensitivity and superior acting ability have made Lee a remarkable example of what an actress should be.

The audience must now decide whether Lee is an accomplished actress, or whether this Cinderella will turn into a pumpkin. Performances of **Twelfth Night** will be May 15, 16, 17 promptly at 8:00 p.m. in Phillips Hall.

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THE BIG SCOOP -- Mark McMillan, SAC's baseball jack-of-all-trades, makes a fine pickup on a low throw to retire a San Diego Mesa batter. McMillan has played the outfield, first base, and been the designated hitter for the Dons this year.

Baseball team hot in final games

by Bob LeFevre

Unfortunately for Coach Jim Reach, the baseball season is coming to an end.

Although it could be said that Reach's first year as SAC's head baseball coach has been anything but successful, his players are finally coming around and winning some games.

The Dons showed the best promise since the beginning of the season last week, as they split their four games.

The two losses could have been won by SAC also. But, as Reach explained, "The mark of a champion is luck and the ability to win when you have to. We aren't even lucky."

The lack of luck showed proficiently, when the Dons lost to Fullerton and Cerritos. Against the Hornets, SAC pitcher Gary Gerber, in his first start of the season, had a perfect game in the fourth inning and a one-hitter in the eighth. However, Reach removed Gerber, as he was beginning to tire. Fullerton then went to work on SAC's bullpen, and eventually won the game in extra innings on a bloop single -- a break SAC seldom gets.

The outstanding performance by Gerber didn't go unnoticed. "He'll get another start, probably against Mt. SAC," said Reach.

Then the Cerritos magic, or what the Falcon players call "the natural touch," beat SAC. Down 4-3 in the ninth, the Cerritos bats exploded for four runs to win the game. Dave Turley's perfect squeeze bunt with the bases loaded in the eighth had given the Dons the lead.

However, a little bit of the luck which had evaded them all season reappeared in their two successive wins. Orange Coast made errors and mental mistakes at the right time for SAC, and the booming bats of Rick Oliver and Mark McMillan were instrumental in a big win, 12-6. It marked the first time the semi-potent Don offense had scored in double figures this year. McMillan had five RBI's and Oliver was three-for-four, driving home two runs.

But the biggest -- and possibly the most shocking -- SAC win this year was a 7-5 upset of title minded San Diego Mesa. The Olympians were making moves on South Coast Conference leader Cerritos, but the loss hurt them dearly. Jerry Linnert hit his fifth home run of the year for the winning tallies. Linnert drove in four runs on the day, and Clark Reeder came in to save Tom Buckley's first SCC win.

The sun which once shone on the Dons is about to set. Tomorrow's game with Cerritos and Tuesday's at Fullerton will end what has been a dismal, but still interesting season for SAC baseball.

Who knows, the way they've been playing lately, the Dons just might surprise somebody on their way out.

Jock shorts

Racquetball tournament planned for future weekend at SAC

An open singles racquetball tournament is scheduled at SAC for Saturday, May 17, and Sunday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Entries are limited to 16 men and 16 women in the ASB-sponsored event. SAC students, faculty and classified staff may sign up in the Student Activities Office, U12, until Friday, May 9, at 3 p.m. The fee is $3 per person.

Trophies will be awarded to the top four places in each division (men's and women's) of the double elimination tournament, according to Nancy Warren, co-ordinator of the event.

CALENDAR

SATURDAY, May 3 -- Baseball at Cerritos, noon. Track at SCC finals, Orange Coast, 2:30 p.m.

MONDAY, May 5 -- Golf at SCC Tournament, Soboba Hot Springs. Women's softball vs. Santa Monica, here, 3:30 p.m. Women's volleyball vs. Santa Monica, here, 3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 6 -- Baseball vs. Fullerton, here, 2:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 8 -- Women's volleyball at SCCCIAC Tournament, El Camino, 8:30 p.m. Tennis at Southern California Regional Tournament, Pierce, 9 a.m.

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Brubaker expects strong effort by tracksters in league meet

by Don Hansen

SAC's track team will be competing in the SCC Finals tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. at OCC. Coach Howard Brubaker expects some very strong individual performances.

"If our freshmen keep their poise, we should do well," related the coach.

One of the main events will feature a couple of Orange County's top milers, Bill Graves of SAC and John Olswang from OCC.

Jim Straw will represent the Dons in the 100 yard dash. His time of 9.7 is among the tops in the conference. Straw won the 100 yard dash in four dual meets.

Doug Parrell's time of 22.1 in the 220 is considered a place getter. Manuel Deason owns the best time in the SCC of 48.8 in the 440. Perry Powell's time of 50.4 is a possible high finisher.

Don Alaman is a candidate for the top spot in the shot put. And Kevin Stanley and Brad McPherson are possibles in the discus. Bruce Jensen is expected to finish high in the javelin.

Last Friday and Saturday the Dons competed in the Mt. SAC Relays. Brubaker described his team's performance as "real good."

Parrell, Deason, Powell and Straw won the 440 relay. Jim Dunker, Powell, Deason and Parrell took second in the 880 relay. The members of the 880 relay also finished third in the mile relay. Graves, Dunker, Deason and Parrell finished fourth in the sprint medley relay.

Sixty-five of the top community colleges competed in the contest.

"We're working to get out of the cellar," stated Brubaker. "These kids have a lot of pride."

Foster, Davidson lead netters in conference tournament today

by Don Hansen

SAC's tennis team will be playing in the SCC tournament today at OCC. "The Dons and the Pirates have a good chance of winning a team trophy," according to coach Lee Ramirez.

Steve Foster is seeded No. 1 in the singles, while Teammate Kelly Davidson is rated third. Foster and Davidson are also ranked No. 2 in the doubles competition.

Last week during the Ojai tournament, the coaches of the SCC unanimously voted Foster the Most Valuable Player.

Ramirez related, "We're ready to go. The players are beginning to peak."

Last Tuesday, SAC defeated San Diego Mesa 6-3.

The Dons totally dominated the contest, winning five singles and one double match for the victory.

John Nordstrom won his singles match in straight sets 6-3, 7-5. Roe Topalian was the victor 6-4, 6-3. Ray Hanss finished first with 6-7, 6-4, 6-3 victories.

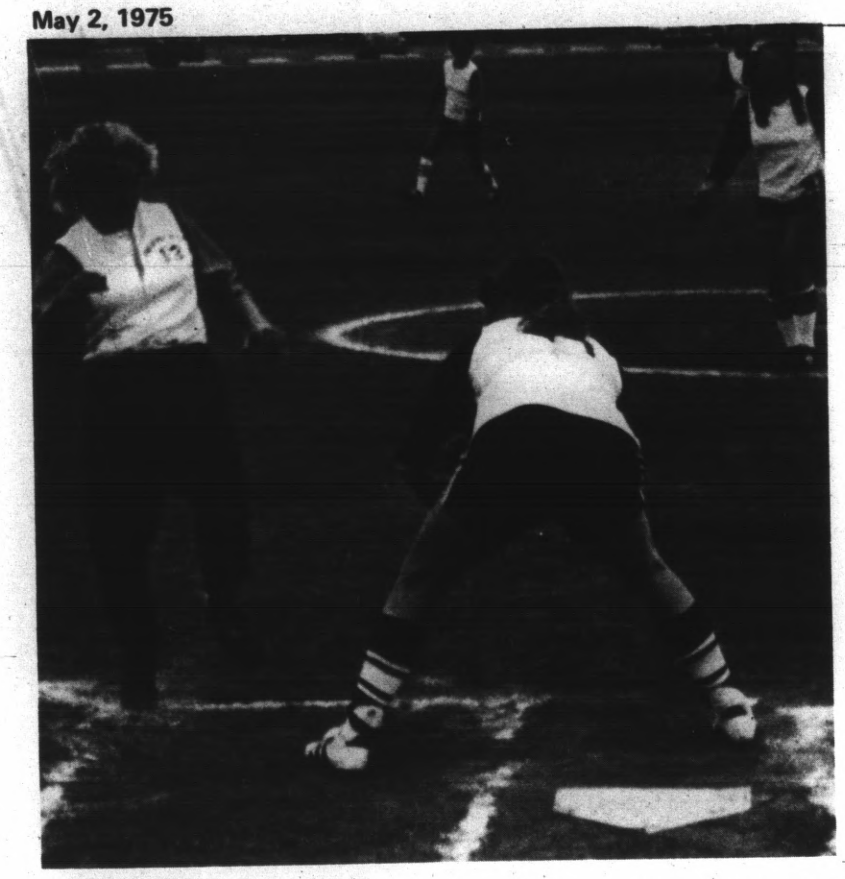
Foster won easily 6-1, 7-6. Davidson came from behind to win 5-7, 6-2, 6-1. Foster and Davidson clinched the match, 6-3, 6-2 in doubles competition.

"We're refreshed and looking forward to the conference match," stated the coach.

The Dons are currently in second place in the league. Fullerton and OCC are tied for the top spot.

Two make-up games are scheduled for the Dons to conclude dual match competition.

Ramirez said, "Our chances to finish first are very slim now. We should finish in second place. But we should do well in the conference tournament."





SECOND CHANCE -- (Above) SAC softball catcher Georgia Lappin blocks the plate as an unidentified Golden West player tries to score. Lappin missed with the tag but the runner missed the base, so . . .

(Below) Lappin records the belated put out behind home.

(photos by Neal Carroll)

Volleyball players take four, softball squad falters twice

by Mike Brossart

For SAC's Coast League entries, last week was a case of feast or famine.

While Nancy Warren's volleyball teams were enjoying their most successful week of the season, Sally Palmer's softball squad was outscored 28-0 in a pair of lopsided losses.

"That was definitely our best week so far," said Warren. "When we started we had a totally new group," she explained. "But we're doing better now that we have some experience playing together."

Both the "A" and "AA" squads beat Golden West and Fullerton, but the matches were all close. All four contests required a third game.

In the "A" division, the Dons downed Golden West, 15-10, 14-16, 15-5, and Fullerton, 15-3, 6-15, 15-8. SAC's "AA" volleyball entry came back against Golden West, 6-15, 15-10, 15-10, and topped Fullerton, 15-6, 6-15, 15-8.

"We usually have trouble with the second game." said the coach. "If we win the first game, we really let up. But I think we're starting to get over that a little bit."

Warren had special praise for "AA" player Robin Windlinger, but added that everyone is doing well.

After winning just one of its first six contests, the "AA" squad is now 3-6. The "A" team is in third place in the Coast League with a 6-3 record.

"Our teams were not playing well together in the first half of league action. But now we can give any team a good match and we are surprising a lot of people," said Warren.

"We are peaking just in time for the SCCCIAC tournament," said the coach. The Southern California Community College Interscholastic Athletic Conference tournament will be held at El Camino Thursday through Saturday.

But while the volleyball players were all smiles, SAC's softball players had little to cheer about. The Dons started the week with a 13-0 loss to Golden West in which shortstop Jami Tasch's third-inning single was the only SAC hit.

"Jami is the team's leader offensively and defensively," commented Palmer. The captain of the squad, Tasch is batting better than .400.

Two days later the Dons took a 15-0 shellacking at the hands of Fullerton. SAC collected four hits, one each by Cheryl Brunner, Helen Lynch, Hetty Outman and Dianne Young.

The Dons will close out Coast League softball play at home Monday against Santa Monica. Even though her team was winless with just three games remaining, Palmer did not give up on the chance of a victory.

Rick Oliver named 'Don of Week'

This week, the **el DON** sports staff selected Don baseball player Rick Oliver as its "Don of the Week."

Oliver is the team's most consistent player, according to Coach Jim Reach. The sophomore second baseman is one of only two Dons hitting over .300 this season, and has sparkled on defense as well.

Oliver has been playing well lately despite a pulled Achilles tendon. The injury has him limping slightly, but the effects on his play appear to be nonexistent.

Although the SAC squad has had a poor South Coast Conference record this year, Oliver still has a good chance at being selected to the All-SCC team.

SAC golfers to decide 'Athlete of Year' Monday

by Mike Brossart

SAC sophomores Greg Colbert and Keith Wyrick have the inside track in the race for "Athlete of the Year" honors in SCC golf.

The award goes to the linkster with the lowest total for any seven of the eight rounds of conference competition. (Each golfer's highest score is thrown out.) With only two rounds remaining, Colbert's five best scores total 375 (75 average) while Wyrick's add up to 379 (75.8 average).

"There's no competition from any of the other boys," said Arlin Pirtle, coach of the Don golfers. "The nearest boy from any other school is about 12 strokes back of these two."

The title will be decided Monday in the 36-hole SCC Tournament at Soboba Hot Springs. Colbert takes a four-shot lead into the finals, but Wyrick shot a sizzling 70 to Colbert's 78 in the latest round of SCC competition.

Pirtle refused to predict a winner, saying, "It will be one of the two -- that's all I know."

Bob LeFevre

With death do we part



Believe it or not, it takes a lot of courage to be an athlete.

I'm not by any means trying to be facetious. Having competed in athletics,I have met and heard of many people who compete despite a disability of some sort. Some have even made a good living out of it.

Remember Tom Dempsey? He's the guy with a stump for a right foot. He also, despite his handicap, kicked a football 63 yards to win a game and set a record -- one which may never be broken.

Special sports tribute

Then there's Wilma Rudolph. She had all odds against her. She was a woman, black (two things which didn't spell athlete in the 60's), and she was very sick as a child. The youngest of nineteen children weighed less than four pounds at birth, and suffered through double pneumonia, scarlet fever, and polio which paralyzed her legs.

However, through persistence and determination, by age 13 she was able to run. And how she could run! She was good enough to run for Tennessee State's track team, and eventually won three gold medals for the United States Olympic team in the 1960 Rome games.

More famous examples of Ben Hogan, who nearly died in an auto wreck, and Roy Campanella, who was paralyzed from the waist down in one, have lived to tell their stories. Hogan continued -- somehow -- to play, and win. Campanella, unable to play, wrote a book praising how wonderful it felt just to be alive.

I have been blessed to know such courageous people. One little guy I got to know really well isn't around any more. He was on the first Little League team I ever coached. Always wanting to excel athletically, he was one of the hardest working kids I've ever known. Midway through our first season together, he lost half his leg to a lawn mower -- one of those that you ride instead of push. It fell over on him while he was mowing a sloped area of his yard.

However, after the accident, he still wanted to play. So he was given an artificial leg, or half leg, as his left leg was gone from the knee down. The scrappy guy came back, and by the next season, was ready to go. He pitched two no-hitters, and was one of the league's top hitters as well.

Things were really looking good, when pneumonia struck him down just last week. Along with possible internal problems, it was enough to kill him. But he left those who knew him well with a memory of what it takes to win a struggle with life.

Perhaps it's time we gave thanks in one form or another, to the people who had it hardest. It appears they've come out better than the rest more times than not.

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